(RDELs) installed after 1.4.2005 in the eligible 1685 Short Distance Charging Areas (SDCAs), where cost of providing telephone connection is more than the revenue earned. As per agreement conditions, the Universal Service Provider (USP) should provide at least 100 line per Secondary Switching Area (SSA) within six months of the effective date of agreement. Thereafter all the waitlisted subscribers are to be provided with rural telephones within a period of three months in these SDCAs. Support is also being provided to the RDELs already installed in these areas during the period 1.4.2002 to 31.3.2005.

Maintaining of call details records

3755. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Internet Telephony on Voice Over Internet Protocol(VOIP) is causing concern among the Indian Security agencies, as such calls made to overseas parties, leave no trace of calls being made at all;

(b) whether several Internet Telephony Service Providers in Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala and Punjab are selling calling cards of different unregistered overseas companies;

(c) whether ITSP licencees maintain call details records, as a part of the licensing conditions;

(d) whether apart from security considerations, such clandestine operations by ITSPs cause severe revenue loss to the Centre; and

(e) if so, the steps being taken to address this issue?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid at the Table of the House.

Formation of Kailash Mansarovar Yatra Committee

3756. SHRIMATI BIMBA RAIKAR: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government would consider formation of a full-fledged Kailash-Mansarovar Yatra Committee on the lines of All India Haj